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Germany Declares War on Russia, Plunging Europe Into Conflict

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RATE DECISION HIDES BLOODY CLOTHES IS HEAVY BLOW FOR RAILROADS

Only Small Proportion of Ines Are Granted 5 Per

OPINION IS HANDED DOWN BY DIVIDED COMMISSION

Cent Increase.

Higher Rates Apply in Territory Between Buffalo and Pittsburgh.

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(Continued on Second Page.) Via York fliver, Chesapeake Bay and Bal-thmore, once each week during summer months, inquire 97 East Main Street,

THAT BELONGED TO HALL

Negro Driver for Defendant Tells How He Disposed of Garments of Murdered Merchant.

INSTRUCTIONS FROM ROBERTS

Was Suspected of Slaying Husband Is Brought Prominently Into Case. Faces Gruelling Examination.

Hall, on trial for the alleged murder of her ausband, testified this morning that on the afternoon following the Ambassadors Page, at Condon: Pendage in the country arranged a meeting to be a made to the country arranged a meeting to the count of her husband, testified this morning that on the afternoon following the murder he buried bloody underclothes belonging to the slain man, and that he did so on the order of W. J. Robins.

Roads Ape Told What They Need is Reorganization on Sound Basis.

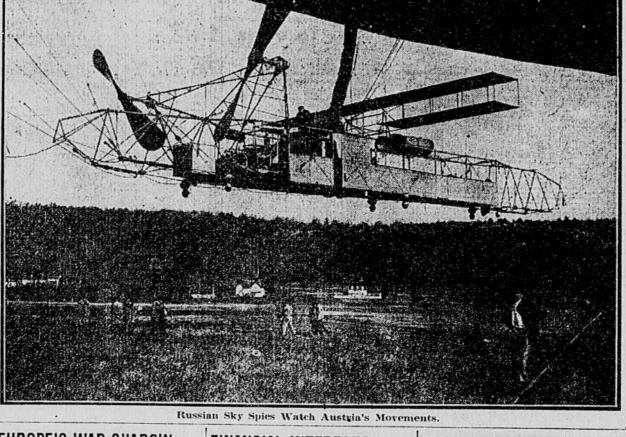
Washington, August 1.—In a divided opinion to-day, the interstate Commerce Commission granted some of the prince of the prince of the specific point to-day, the interstate Commerce Commission granted some of the process of the specific point to-day, the interstate Commerce Commission granted some of the process of the specific point to-day, the interstate Commerce Commission granted some of the process of the process of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the specific point to deal of the state of the s

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EUROPE'S WAR SHADOW **COVERS WASHINGTON**

Keeping in Close Touch With Situation on Continent.

DIPLOMATS ABROAD ARE BUSY CONFER WITH WILSON TO-DAY

If Opportunity Presents Itself, United Unparalleled States Will Offer Its Services in Effort to Restore Peace-Preparing

costly free services to shippers, develop efficiency of personnel and equipment, stop giving free passes and possibly increase their passenger fares to keep pace with the high grade service to public demands.

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M'REYNOLDS SLATED

FINANCIAL INTERESTS PLANNING TO RELIEVE MOVE TO AVERT PANIC

Extraordinary Action Is Taken to Save This Country Unsettlement as Result of European Crisis.

Credit of \$100,000,000 Be Advanced to England-Markets Demoralized, and Grave Peril Ahead.

New York, August 1.-Extraordinary shadowed all action was taken by the leading finan-

spotlight of a searching examination by Commonwealth's Attorney W. C. Bibb. Charles Chisholm, colored, a former driver for Mrs. Elizabeth A. Hall, on trial for the alleged murder

and many commodity raiss are increased 5 per cent in that section

No advances whatever were permitted east from Buffalo and Pittsburgh to the Atlantic seaboard. That excludes from the area from which the railroads will receive benefits, the greatest traffic producing centres of the country.

DANIELS AND McCHORD

OBSENT FROM MAJORITY

Commissioners Daniels and McChord dissented from the majority opinion. Mr. Dantels held that a 5 per cent inscrease should have been general—that the railroads were entitled to it, to know a day and a strong odor of kerosene, and, though the sum was still not desired to their diplomatic interests in those countries with which there is the care for their diplomatic interests in those countries with which the terests in those countries with which they may be compelled to seep relations. The United States has accepted to stock were thrown on the store they may be compelled to seep relations. The United States has accepted to stock were thrown of they may be compelled to seep relations. The United States has accepted to seep relations. The United Stat

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The ambassador is advising all who will be a statement to these feethers are the strain of the

Believed He Will Be Named for Supreme Court Vacaney.

Washington, August 1.—Senate leadcrs expect to see Attorney-General McReynolds nominated for the Supreme
Court Vacaney of Monday. At the
White House the only statement available was that he was foremost in
President Wilson's consideration.

The action of the New York Currency Association in getting all the
machinery ready for the issue of anditional bank notes should give assurance that there will be no lack of
an ample circulating medium. It is
now possible to create a considerable
amount of additional currency that is

Propular Mountain Excursion,
Southern Railway, August 11, to Ashaville
and Western North Carolina; 13-day limit,
19 round trip, laquire 27 E. Main. Mad. 272

AMERICANS ABROAD

Army and Navy Transports May Be Sent to Bring Home Stranded Nationals.

WILSON AND BRYAN CONFER

overnment Is Prepared to Ship Gold if Necessary to Supply Those in Want Present to Supply Thos Government Is Prepared to Ship Gold Want Because of War-Serious Problem Admitted.

Washington, August 1 .- Active measures for the relief of many thousands

consulates, legations and embassies to spare no pains in caring for Americans who remained in the war zones, and giving every facility to those who wished to leave.

PLIGHT OF AMERICANS IS SERIOUS PROBLEM

State Department officials admitted the most scrious problem confronting them was the plight of Americans They estimated that at least 100,000 and perhaps 300,000 are scat-tered throughout Europe. The disor-ganization of European exchange has made it practically impossible to cush which has suddenly confronted ther They are being besieged on all sides with requests for financial assistance.

With the circulation by several steamship lines of their sailings, many Americans find themselves unable get passage on the overcrowded boats of American register.

A special appropriation would be re-

quested to charter steamships to bring home Americans

Department to-day persons in the United States desirous tives in Europe. The State Department is returning the uniform answer that under their general instructions consuls will report the case of any Americans in distress in their respec-

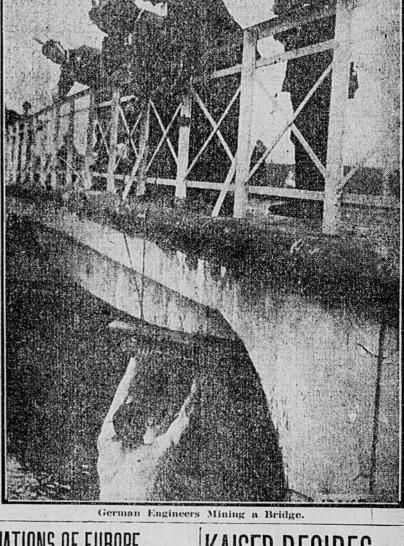
EMBASSY VERITABLE

ISpecial Cable to The Times Dispatch.]
Berlin, August 1.—The American
embassy to-night is a veritable house of refugo for a number of semifrantic Americans, who, penniless, although in possession of checks, letters of credit and foreign bank notes which connot b negotiated, would have been forced to spend the night in the streets had not

the embassy opened its doors to them.

Mrs. Gerard, wife of the ambassador, is the heroine of the hour, she having constituted herself the good angel of a number of American wom-en, mostly school teachers and unaccompanied tourists, who reached the embassy to-day in a state bordering

long the building has been packed with a frantic throng of Uncle Sam's subjects with varying stories of trouble and malireatment. They had to be formed in line and quieted before their tales could be heard and



NEAR GENERAL CLASH

tling Swiftness, and All Hope of Peace Has Fled.

FRANCE NEXT TO DECLARE WAR

England Preparing for Modilization, and Her Great Freets Already Are in Motion-Austrian Monitors Renew Bombardments of Belgrade.

The nations of Europe are rapidly approaching the general clash which may involve more than 31,000,000 mer. Germany has declared war on Russia. sent the formal declaration of hostilities to the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs at the Russian capital OTHER NATIONS TO MOVE SOON He has been recalled to Berlin.

France is mobilizing her army of 5,000,000 men, and will have the work completed by midnight on Sunday. She may be the next to declare war. The time for the French reply to Germany's ultimatum has been extended until noon Monday by mutual agreement.

Certain That England and France Will Be Compelled to Take Hand.

ENGLAND IS PREPARING

motion, the strongest being in the North Sea, and the second fleet in the afternoon the German Emperor sign-Mediterranean. In the meantime, ed a mobilization order.

Great Britain announces that her policy is merely one of "watchful waiting," and that she has not decided sador at St. Petersburg, Count von

ontinent. Austrian monitors in the Danube Now the die is cast, and Europe is to

Austrian monitors in the Danube have renewed the bombardment of Belgrade.

The Servian War Office admits the Servian army has retired before the Austrian advance on the Besnian frontier and along the southern bank of the Drina. The Servians, on the defensive, particularly in their own mountain passes, and in the late war, showed wonderful strength on the defensive, the rugged topography of their country lending itself readily to this kind of warfare.

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Austria is reported to have signified willingness to submit dispute with Servia to mediation.

The Secretary of the Treasury has called a conference of the Clearing House Associations of New York, Chicago and St. Louis in preparation for an issue of emergency currency.

Fifty-eight tons of gold brought to New York Saturday from Philadelphia. More to be brought on Monday.

Transatlantle service between New York and Europe virtually suspended. One hundred and fifty thousand Americans in Europe face possibility of being marooned indefinitely.

Japan assembles fleet at Sazeho; but it likelihood of Japan becoming embroiled unless British ships of possessions in Far East are attacked.

Sweden, Norway, Belgium and Holland to imitate Italy's example by maintaining neutrality.

Wilson Signs Bils.

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KAISER DECIDES AGAINST PEACE ON CONTINENT

Orders His Army Mobilized to Avenge Insult of Russia.

ENTIRE EMBASSY STAFF QUITS ST. PETERSBURG

Official Statement Given Out at Berlin Explains Precipitate Decision.

London, August 1 .- Events in the propean crisis developed to-day with FOR MOBILIZATION startling rapidity. The German ulti-England is believed to be preparing for mobilization of her 2,730,000 men. Her great war fleets are already in motion, the strongest being in the

waiting," and that she has not decided to take active part with her copartners in the triple entente.

King George has sent an urgent personal appeal for peace to the Car. but apparently without avail. It is reported that the King is suffering from a nervous breakdown, the result of the tremendous strain.

Sador at St. Fetersburg, Count voit war in the name of his government to the hussian government, and the entire staff of the embassy immediated.

Although, after the warlike speeches delivered by the German Emperor and the property Chancellor, at Berlin on

of the tremendous strain.

Italy, by proclaiming neutrality, has virtually separated from Germany and Austria, her partners in the triple alliance, although she has put 500,000 of her 2,400,000 troops under arms. She will fight only if attached.

Communication between the second control of the communication of Communication between the nations of Europe except by the governments has ceased. England is isolated by the severance of all wire connection with the Continent.

of passports, was preparing to leave the French capital. It is not known at exactly what house Germany's ultima-

ast of Konigsberg. The only redeeming feature of the darkest prospect with which Europe has been faced for half a century in that Italy has declared her neutrality. How long that neutrality can be main-

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